



ONE TACOMA

A Comprehensive Plan for a
Vibrant Connected and Sustainable City

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Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee

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Discussion Outline:

- Progress Report
- Tentative Schedule
- Summary of Planning Requirements and Current Commitments
- Scope Options

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Here's What's Been Happening...



Scoping.

Working through mandatory and optional components of the comp plan update to align with budget and goals



Engagement Planning.

Reviewing previous efforts, defining methods and approach, aligning communications strategy



Community Profile.

Developing a baseline understanding of the City, its demographics, and how things have changed in Tacoma over the past decade

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SEVA Workshop + Team



SEVA WORKSHOP



Architectural Resources Group

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Coordinating Efforts



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Project Timeline



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Scope: Planning Requirements

STATE OF WASHINGTON
Growth Management Act
Shoreline Management Act

PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL
Vision 2050

PUYALLUP TRIBE
Treaty of Medicine Creek
Land Claims Settlement Agreement

PIERCE COUNTY
Countywide Planning Policies

One Tacoma Comprehensive Plan



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Transportation Master Plan

- Strengthen City priorities around climate, health, safety, and equity
- Develop network integration policy framework
- Update modal elements – pedestrian, auto, bike, freight, transit
- Add two new functional elements
 1. Curb use, urban goods, and shared mobility
 2. Public space and activation – collaborating with an Artist in Residence
- Develop multimodal level of service standards

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High Priority Actions (2015)

ELEMENT	CORRESPONDING IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES
Urban Form	Zoning and Development Regulation Updates Explore financial incentives and tools that could be effectively utilized to stimulate private investment in the mixed-use centers
Design + Development	Develop a design manual and an approach to conducting design review for public projects and development citywide, but with an emphasis on designated mixed-use centers
Environment + Watershed Health	Develop an Environmental Action Plan Conduct a Climate Risk Assessment Conduct a watershed assessment to prioritize wastewater and stormwater projects/programs Update development regulations for steep slopes and geologically hazardous areas, and site development standards for Open Space Corridors
Housing	Evaluate the City's bonus programs, prioritize incentives, and focus objectives
Economic Development	Complete the Tacoma Mall Subarea Plan Conduct a subarea planning effort for the Port of Tacoma Manufacturing and Industrial Center Periodically review and update the City's Economic Development Framework and Strategy
Transportation Master Plan	Explore development of a transportation impact fee Conduct modal conflict and corridor design studies Identify and evaluate street system missing links
Parks + Recreation	Develop a strategy for addressing any current deficiencies in levels of service and identify opportunities to provide new park and recreation opportunities within designated Mixed-Use Centers
Public Facilities + Services	Update the Capital Facilities Program and level of service standards Explore funding for joint planning for the City's Urban Growth Areas with Pierce County and adjacent jurisdictions Evaluate and implement appropriate recommendations from the JLUS for airport compatibility
Engagement, Administration + Implementation	Perform an opportunity and equity analysis

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Ongoing Work Program Commitments	Comp Plan Scope Commitments
<p>Home in Tacoma Picture Pac Ave Tideflats Subarea Plan Urban Design Program Health Impact Assessments Neighborhood Planning Manitou Annexation Moratoria Groundwater Protection District</p>	<p>GMA Planning Requirements VISION 2050 Consistency Tribal Plan Coordination Tacoma 2035 Coordination Historic Preservation Policy Review Open Space/Critical Areas Review Equity Assessment Health in All Policy Review 15-Minute Neighborhoods Performance Measures SEPA Review</p>

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Resource Allocation for Comp Plan Update

Project Initiation – 30%

- Scoping and Budget Development
- Project Kickoff
- Baseline Conditions
- Best Available Science Review Equity Assessment
- Policy Audit
- Community Visioning

Engagement and Communications – 30%

- Public hearings
- Notifications and ads
- Comment summaries, documentation and responses
- Workshops
- Surveys
- Meeting materials
- Language access

Plan Update and Production – 40%

- Project Management
- Plan production and graphic design
- Mandatory Plan Elements
- Element Updates
 - Internal, Public, Final Drafts
- Environmental Review
- Legislative Process
- Certification and submittal checklists

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Other Topics:

- Freeway Buffer Zone
- Pre-annexation Planning
- Downtown Plan Update/Integration
- Climate Element
- Commercial Zoning Update
- Green Economy Integration
- Mixed Use Centers Update
- Park and Recreation Zoning
- Major Institutional Campus Zoning

Who **sponsored** the topic?

Has the project been previously **deferred**?

What is the estimated **level of effort**?

What is the **geographic area** for the project?

How well does the project support key goals:
Climate, Affordability, Health/Equity.

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Planning Commission Recommendation

- ✓ Freeway Buffer Zone
- ☐ Pre-annexation Planning
- ☐ Downtown Plan Update/Integration
- ☐ Climate Element
- ☐ Commercial Zoning Update
- ✓ Green Economy Integration
- ☐ Mixed Use Centers Update
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Future Prioritization:

- **Commercial Zoning Update**
- **Climate Element**
- **HIA Program**
- **Mixed-Use Centers updates**
- **Downtown Plan update**

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